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SUBJ: FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE-STORTING JUSTICE COMMITTEE

1. NORWEGIAN PARLIAMENT'S JUDICIARY COMMITTEE ARRIVING BOSTON AT 13:40 JUNE 18 FOR 16-DAY STUDY TOUR OF JUVENILE CORRECTION INSTITUTIONS IN MASSACHUSETTS AND NEW YORK. MOST OF COMMITTEE'S PROGRAM ARRANGED THROUGH NORWEGIAN CHANNELS, BUT COMMITTEE HAS ASKED EMB HELP IN ARRANGING VISITS TO COAST GUARD AND HARVARD LAW SCHOOL. WE REQUEST DEPARTMENT PROVIDE FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE.

2. COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO VISIT COAST GUARD IN BOSTON ON SUNDAY, JUNE 22. IF THIS NOT FEASIBLE, SECOND PREFERENCE IS ANYTIME MONDAY, JUNE 30 IN NEW YORK CITY. COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION INCLUDES COASTAL PATROLS CONDUCTED BY NORWEGIAN POLICE, AS OPPOSED TO NAVY AND ALL SEA RESCUE OPERATIONS. NORWAY IS CURRENTLY CONSIDERING A MAJOR EXPANSION OF COASTAL PATROLS IN VIEW OF ITS EXPANDING NORTH SEA OIL OPERATIONS AND EXPECTED EXTENSION OF FISHING AND/OR ECONOMIC ZONES. IT IS VERY INTERESTED IN LEARNING FROM U.S. COAST GUARD EXPERIENCE, FOR WHICH NORWEGIANS HAVE VERY HIGH REGARD, AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT SCOPE OF COAST GUARD OPERATIONS AND THE WAY IT IS ORGANIZED. WE URGE ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE FOR COMMITTEE TO MEET WITH HIGHEST LEVEL OF COAST GUARD OFFICIALS IN ONE OF THESE TWO CITIES.

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3. COMMITTEE RATHER VAGUE ABOUT HARVARD PROGRAM
WE SUGGEST MEETINGS WITH LAW SCHOOL DEAN AND
EMINENT PROFESSORS. EXPECT COMMITTEE INTERESTED IN
SCHOOL ITSELF, LAW OF THE SEA, INTERNATIONAL LAW,
LAW OF U.S. PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION, EXTRADITION LAW
AND U.S. JUDICIAL SYSTEM IN GENERAL. COMMITTEE HAS
RESERVED SATURDAY, JUNE 21, FOR HARVARD VISIT.

4. BEST STATESIDE CONTACT FOR COMMITTEE AFTER ITS
ARRIVAL IS NORWEGIAN UN MISSION. WHICH ORGANIZING
OTHER ELEMENTS OF PROGRAM.

5. COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE: CHAIMAN BJORN UNNEBERG
(CENTER PARTY), VICE CHAIRMAN TORILD SKARD(SOCIALIST
LEFT PARTY) THRO-EIRIK FULBRANDSEN (LABLOR),
GORD KIRSTE(CONSERVATIVE), HARALD BJARNE SLETTEBO
(ANDERS LANGES NO-TAX PARTY), ANNE LISE STEINBACK
(LABOR), SVEN STRAY (CONSERVATIVE), AND JORGEN SONSTEBO
(CHRISTIAN PEOPLE'S PARTY).

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